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Previous References.

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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT

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Part B for July 1944.

SUBJECT

Village Groups Contact Scheme.

Krishnan
12-7-44

Village Group Contact Scheme W 199-43

Sl. 1. Letter no. F 98-42/W of 29.4.44 from the Secy. to the Hon'ble the Resident regarding the Village Group Contact Scheme.

It is reported that it is gratifying to note that the Scheme has been very popular & that the villagers are wholeheartedly co-operating with the Military authorities in promoting its usefulness.

As regards the second point noted in para 2 of the P.U.D., this Govt do not seem to have sanctioned any expenditure in this behalf as has been done by the Govt of Bombay.

Subd for approval & other orders with a draft letter to the R.C. & C.R. calling for the required information together with a copy of a brochure entitled "Village Groups Contact Scheme", for being furnished to the Resy.

Sec
1.5.44
SG

Sec - Bombay
for C/C

Sl. 2. Issued No. W 2574 d 2nd May 44 to R.C. & C.R., calling for materials for a reply.

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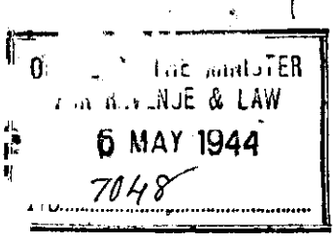

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No W-98-42 f/r dy 31-5-44 from Resy requiring when a reply may be expected in the matter.

Subd. a reminder to R.C. & C.R.

Sec
3/6/44.

Send a reply

3/6

Issued No. W 2853/R d 3rd June 44 to R.C. & C.R. reminding in the matter.

Subd with an adinterim reply to the Resy.

Sec
6/6/44.

Issued No. Pol 2516 d 6th June 44 to Resy, stating that a reply will be sent early.

Sec

3.

From The RC & CR to Mysore
Letter No Cho 567/42-44 dt 15th Jan. 44
forwarding a report re. the origin & Village
Group Contact Scheme etc. dated 23rd Sept. 1942

V The first letter on the subject was received in this office from the RC wherein he enclosed for the information & perusal a brochure entitled 'Village Group Contact Scheme' drawn up by him. Approval of Govt was not asked for by him for the scheme but the stress in his letter that a draft scheme was submitted to the Director who was pleased to approve of it with certain amendments.

V. Subsequently reports re. the working of the scheme were received from time to time. The present letter of the RC explains the position in detail. Steps for advancement of pay to the Revenue Inspectors who are to be in charge of the scheme was approved by Govt. It is now proposed that no experiments be undertaken for the purpose of providing transport for villagers paying visits to units etc. As regards working of the scheme with a view to consideration whether the reports of the Block Development Officers need be sent or a report on general lines of the scheme's working satisfactorily may be sent.

RS 2/6

W 1491-4493

Welfare Foods contract scheme.

Copies of the report may be sent direct to the Board of Trade and the Scheme of refreshments in the working class areas to be expedited as far as possible sanctioned by Govt.

Yes
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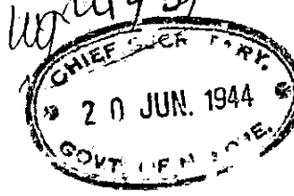

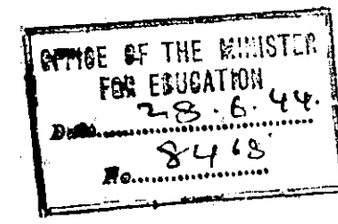

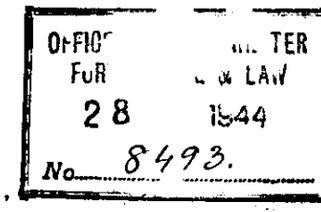

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Min Rsd
& Dewan
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Subs with a draft reply to Rsy.

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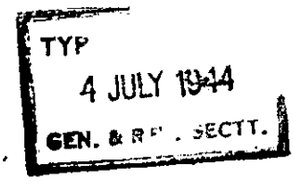
Issued No. Pol 28 d 5th July 44 to Resy.



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D.O.
No.F.98.42/W.

THE RESIDENCY MYSORE

Bangalore,
29th April 1944.

CHIEF SECRETARY. WAR 29 APR. 1944 GOVT. OF MYSORE

VILLAGE GROUP CONTACT SCHEME.

My dear Vedavyasacharya,

I am desired to state that in September 1942, Mr.Kesavaiengar, the then Civil Liaison Officer, sent to the Hon'ble the Resident for his information a copy of a draft scheme in regard to the Village Group Contact Scheme to be introduced in the Mysore State. The Hon'ble the Resident would like to have a copy of the Scheme as finally approved by the Government of Mysore, and also information as to how the scheme is working.

2. In this connection, I am to state that Southern Army have a similar scheme, in accordance with which several Group Contact Committees have been established in British India. As measure of co-operation with the military authorities, the Government of Bombay have authorised an expenditure of Rs.500/- for Districts in the Bombay Presidency for the purpose of providing transport for villagers paying visits to units and for hospitality offered by villagers to troops. The H.Q., Southern Army, wish to know whether the Government of Mysore have sanctioned any such expenditure in the Mysore State. I am to request you kindly to let me have the information.

Yours sincerely,
A.R. Dawe

V.Vedavyasacharya, Esq., B.A.,
Chief Secretary to the Government
of His Highness the Maharaja
of Mysore, Bangalore.

Appendix F. G.—1]

SUBJECT..... Village Groups Contact Scheme. .....

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Section M

File No. 199-43

Serial No. 2

Diary No. of letter replied to... 2597/W

No. W 257 (Encl overleaf)

General and Revenue Secretariat

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To

The R.C. & C.R. in Mysore.

Sir,

Date of issue... 2nd May 44

Signed by... Mr S. R. V. "T"

With refce to the correspondence ending with your letter no. C.L.O. 339/42-43 dt 27.2.43 on the above subject, I am directed enclose herein a copy of the Resy letter No. F 98-42/W dt 29.4.44 & to request you kindly to furnish the ~~required information together~~ remarks with a copy of the Scheme for being forwarded to the Resy.

I have etc.,

for Chief Secy to Govt

List of enclosures.....

Codied by.....

Examined by.....

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W

D.O.
No.F.98-42/W.

Bangalore,
31st May 1944.

VILLAGE GROUP CONTACT SCHEME.

My dear Vedavyasacharya,

I am desired to refer to my demi-official letter No.F.98-42/W, dated the 29th April 1944, and to enquire when a reply may be expected.

Yours sincerely,

V.Vedavyasacharya, Esq., B.A.,
Chief Secretary to the
Government of His Highness
the Maharaja of Mysore,
Bangalore.

map:

General and Revenue Secretariat,

Bangalore, Dated 3rd June 1944.

No. W2853/R

From

The Chief Secretary to the
Government of Mysore,
B a n g a l o r e.

To

The Revenue Commissioner and
Civil Representative in Mysore,
B a n g a l o r e.

Sir,

Village Group Contact Scheme.

I am directed to invite reference to this office letter No. W.2574/W.199-43-2, dated 2nd May 1944 on the above subject and request you kindly to expedite your reply as the Residency have reminded this office in the matter.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

For Chief Secretary to Government

Appendix F. G.—1]

SUBJECT..... Village Group Contact Scheme.....

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Section

File No.

Serial No.

Diary No. of letter replied to.....

No. Pol 2516

To

General and Revenue Secretariat

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The Secy to the Hon'ble the Resident

Sir,

Date of issue... 6th June 1944

With ref ce to your D.O. letter no F 98-42/W dy 29.4.44 on the above subject & the subsequent reminder thereto, I am directed to state that the matter is under consideration & that a reply will be sent very early.

Signed by..... Mr. S. K. V.

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I have etc.,

for Chief Secy to Govt

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Examined by.....

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C. F. No. 46]

GOVERNMENT OF MYSORE

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No. C.L.O. 567/43-44.
Encls. 4.

OFFICE OF THE REVENUE COMMISSIONER &
CIVIL REPRESENTATIVE IN MYSORE, B'lore.

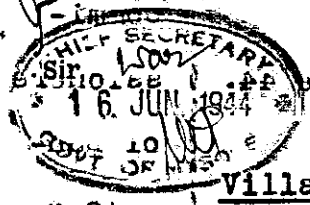
Dated 15th June 1944.

To

W. 199-43-3

V. VEDAVYASACHARYA, Esqr., B.A.,

Chief Secretary to the Government of Mysore, Bangalore.



Sir,

Village Group Contact Scheme.

Referring to your letter No. W. 2574/W. 199-43-2 dated 1/2 May 1944 on the above subject, I have the honour to forward herewith a dozen printed copies each, in English and Kannada, on the above scheme.

2. It is gathered that as instructed by the Dewan in his letter dated 11th August 1942, Mr. B.T. Kesavaiengar, the then Revenue Commissioner and Civil Liaison Officer, prepared a draft Village Group Contact Scheme in consultation with the military authorities; and after approval by the Dewan, copies of the Scheme were got printed in English and Kannada at the Government Press, for purposes of distribution. A copy of the draft Scheme was also sent to the Hon'ble the Resident on 2 September 1942. The Scheme does not

seem to have been approved by Government.

3. About the working of the Scheme the Deputy Commissioners of Bangalore, Kolar and Chitaldurg Districts, report that it is working satisfactorily.

1. Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore. No. Mily.E.5060/43-44 dated 2 June 44.	Commissioners of Bangalore, Kolar and Chitaldurg
2. Deputy Commissioner, Kolar. No. C.L.O. 310/43-44 dated 25 May 44.	
Deputy Commissioner, Chitaldurg. No. J3.L.2481/43-44 dated 10 June 44.	

Copies of their marginally noted letters furnishing the details of the working of the scheme (and copies of enclosures) are enclosed for perusal.

It is ascertained that no expenditure has been sanctioned by the Government for the purpose of providing transport for villagers paying visits to the units.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

Assistant Commissioner
For Revenue Commissioner and
Civil Representative
(Headquarters)

Copy of letter No. Mily C. 5060/43-44 dated 2nd June 1944 from the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, Bangalore to the Revenue Commissioner and Civil Representative in Mysore, Bangalore.

Subject: Village Group Contact Scheme.

With reference to your letter No. C.L.O. 547/43-44 dated 9-5-44 on the above subject, I have the honour to forward herewith for favour of information a copy of the report No. P.R. 478/43-44 dated 21-5-44 from the Sub Division officer and Civil Officer, Bangalore, explaining the action taken to give effect to the scheme.

"Copy"

For Revenue Commissioner
& Civil Representative.

BN.

P.T.O.

Copy of the report No.Mily.P.R.478/43-44 dated the 21st May 1944 from the Sub Division Officer & Civil Officer to the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District.

With reference to you memo No. Mily c. 5060/43-44 dated 14-5-44, calling for a report regarding the working of the village Group Contact Scheme, I have the honour to state that in pursuance of the draft scheme proposed by Rajasevaprasaktha B.T. Kashaviengar, the then Civil Liaison Officer during September 42 contact Committee constituted in Yeswantapur, Abbigere, Dodbommasandra, Hebbal, Jakkur Byappanahally, Kadugodi, Whitefield, Knoenagrahara, Agara, Musur and Madivala, making these places as centres of a group of villages surroundig them where military camps had been located. Influential nonofficial representatives of the villages comprised in these groups were selected as members to take the lead in impressing on the villagers the aims and objects of the scheme and it was also arranged that the members constituting these committees should keep close contact with the military officers of the various camps to which these committees were attached. The inaugural meeting under the scheme was held at Jalahally under the presidentship of Rajasevaprasakta B.T. Kesaviengar, when a number of military officers of the various units along with their subordinates had assembled and sentiments of cordial relationship were exchanged and the aims of the scheme and the terms of movement between the military and civil were brought home to the villagers in different languages, both by military and civil officers. After this, several such other meetings were arranged, some at the instance of the Civil authorities, and others by the different military units, with sports open both to the military and civil and lunch arrangements as the main item of the programme. Each of these meeting was attended by not only the members constituting the Contact Committee's but by several villagers brought by them to promote good feeling and free movements between the civil and military. Periodical visits of the military personnel were arranged to several villages, the most important of them being the visits paid by the officers of the P.O.W. Camp and Jakkur Aerodrome to Abbigere and Avalahalli villages.

On a few occassions, the military authorities had arranged for "Rich Food" entertainments to the villagers which were very much appreciated by the rural folk. Apart from the pamphlet issued in Kannada and English under the instructions of then Civil Liaison Officer Mr. B.T. Keshaveiengar announcing the constitution of the committee no other orders of Government have been received in the matter and no separate funds are allotted for the purpose of providing transport to villagers for paying visits to villages and for availing the hospitality offered to them by troops. In the case of meeting arranged in the military camp the military authorities have been providing transport facilities to the villagers by lending their lorries and tr trucks in several instances.

The last of such meetings where the Civil Officers and villagers had been invited by the military was held on 19-4-44 when the Officer Commanding, 4 S.T.C. had arranged for sports which the people of Jalahalli and Dodbommasandra visited. It may be added that so far as a result of the above arrangements the relationship between the civil and military has been very cordial except for stray instances of small differences and clash which have been checked promptly by the intervention of the Civil Liaison authorities and the police and the Liaison work in the District has been progressing very satisfactorily under the guidance and kind instructions of the Civil Representative (Revenue Commissioner) in Mysore and the Deputy Commissioner.

C.K. Ramanathan Das

For Deputy Commissioner,
Bangalore District.

GSS.

No.C.L.O.310/43-44. Office of the Deputy Commissioner,
Kolar District, Dated 25-5-44.

To

The Revenue Commissioner and Civil
Representative in Mysore,
Bangalore.

Subject:- Village Group Contact scheme.

Sir,

Referring to your letter No.C.L.O.547/43-44 dated 9th May 44, on the above subject, I have the honour to state that the village group contact scheme has been introduced in respect of Bethamangala camp area on the lines indicated in the scheme. Four Committees as detailed in the margin are formed and the working of the committees is satisfactory and gives scope for establishing a good liaison between the Military and the Civil Population.

The Scheme will be introduced in respect of Aerodrome area, also in consultation with the R...F. as troops are just stationed at present, in this area. The Civil Liaison Officer, Thondebhavi has been asked to form committies for his camp area.

As for para 2 of the enclosure to the letter referred to above, no amount has been sanctioned by Government for the purposes of providing transport for villagers paying visits to the Unit units.

1. Bethamangala Committee.
2. Hosapaiya Committee.
3. Venkatapura Committee.
4. Pettakoor Committee.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

For Deputy Commissioner,
Kolar District.

26/5/44

Copy of letter No.J3-2481/43-44 dated 10th June 1944 from the Deputy Commissioner, Chitaldurg District to the Revenue Commissioner and Civil Representative in Mysore, Bangalore.

Village Group Contact Scheme.

With reference to your letter No.C.L.O. 547/43-44 dated 9-5-44 on the above subject, I have the honour to forward herewith the report in original on the working of the Village Group Committee in Harihar, Taluk received from the Amildar, Harihara Taluk with his letter No. M.P.R.140/43 dated 3-6-44. It is reported that the working of the Scheme is satisfactory.

It is unneeessary to authorise any extra expenditure on this behalf, the Deputy Commissioners may be permitted to meet if necessary any expenditure on this behalf from their discretionary grants.

ENCLOSURE.

Report on the working of the village contact Group Committee in Harihar Taluk.

1. Formation of Committees:- Three village contact group committees have been formed in this taluk for the camps i.e. "A" M.T. Camp and "C" M.T. Camp consisting of 8 non-official members for each committee. The names of committees are as follows:-

   a) Harihar Village Contact Group Committee.
   b) Hanayavadi village Contact Group Committee.
   c) Guttur village Contact Group Committee.

   Harihar and Hanyavadi committees were inaugurated on 30 Oct 42 by the Deputy Commissioner in presence of the Committee members and Military Officers including Officer Commanding "A" M.T. Training Group Lieut. Col. D.M. Williams RIASC. Guttur Committee was formed in July last.

2. Meetings held:- Six meetings have been held in Harihar town so far and the similar number have been held in the military camp under the arrangement of the military authorities. The meetings have proved much use in creating friendly relationship between the military personnel and the Civil Population.

3. Expenditure in connection with the holding of meetings:- No expenditure has been sanctioned by Government for this purpose, but with the approval of the Deputy Commissioner, public subscriptions have been accepted and deposited in Harihar Taluk Treasury in the Savings Bank Account No. 111.

   The Total receipt, and Expenditure and Balance is furnished below:-

Receipts	Expenditure	Balance.
375-9-1	192-13-0	182-12-1

4. General:- On the whole the working of the scheme is very satisfactory and has helped very much in bringing friendsip between the Military Personnel and the Civil Population and its continuance with the financial help of Government is very desirable.

"Copy"

For Revenue Commissioner and
Civil Representative.

BN.

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SUBJECT.....

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Section W

File No. 199-43.

Col 2 Encls Serial No. 4

Diary No. of letter replied to.....

D. O. No. The Secretary to Hon'ble the Resident

To Village Group Contact Scheme.

General and Revenue Secretariat

( ) (May) Secy, Dev. Dept.)

the *194*.

Will refer to your D.O. No. F. 98-42/W dated 29th April 44 and in continuation of this office letter No. P.R. 2576 & 6th Jun. 44 on the above subject, I am directed to enclose herewith for information a copy of the Scheme as well as copies of reports received from the Local Officers in the matter and to state that the Scheme is reported to be working well. I am to add that no explosives have been purchased by Govt. for the purpose of providing transport for villagers paying visits to units as for hospitality offers by villagers to troops

Date of issue.... 5th July 1944

Signed by.... Mr. V. V. A.

& Copy of Bhor Civil Officer's report dated 21st May 44
Kolaba Dist report dated 25th May 44.

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